Jinnah Day Celebrated All Over India

SPECIAL PRAYERS IN MOSQUES

Jinnah day—the Birthday of Qa'id-Azam Jinnah—was celebrated with great *eclat* all over India on Thursday, Dec. 25 last, when Muslim mass meetings were held to explain the policy and progamme of the All-India Muslim League and the achievements of Mr. Mohammad Ali Jinnah, the Qaid-e-Azam of the one hundred million Musalmans of India, and prayers were offered to the Almighty for giving the Qa'id-e-Azam many more years of life to guide the Muslim nation in India along the right path. Special prayers were held at Delhi on the occasion, as also at Lahore, Quetta, Peshawar, Lucknow, Karachi, Bombay, Madras, Nagpur, Patna, Calcutta, Shillong and innumerable other places.

At Calcutta.

A mass meeting of Muslims of Calcutta and suburbs was held at Mohammad Ali Park on Friday, December 26, Mr. Tamizuddin Khan, M. L. A., presiding. Maulana Nazir Ahmad Chaudhuri, Maulana Abdul Jabbar Wahidi, Mulla Jan Mohammed and Mr. S. M. Usman, (Secretary, Calcutta District Muslim League,) addressed the meeting. Mohammed Mustafa of Narkuldanaga National Guard recited the 'Tarana-i Muslim League and Tarana-i-Pakistan" Mr. Mohammed Shafi (Secretary, Tittagarh Muslim League) recited a poem written for the occasion. There was great enthusian in the meeting and spirited speeches were punctuated with cries of'JinnahZindabad', "Muslim League Zindabad", "Ghaddar Muradabad".

The following resolutions were adopted unanimously.

This Meeting of the Musalmans of Calcutta and suburbs offers its congratulations on the occasion of 65th birthday of Qa'id-e-Azam. Mohammad Ali Jinnah and prays to God for his long and prosperous life so that he may serve the Great Muslim Nation for a long time.

This meeting further assures the Qa'id-e-Azam that the Musalmans of Bengal are ready to do every thing according to his dictates and they are ready to sacrifice every thing for attainment of the cherished goal ofthe Muslims of India, PAKISTAN.

This meeting condemns the actions of those traitors to Muslim nation, who are doing their worst to break the solidarity of the Muslims of Bengal and are standing in the way of the onward march of the Musalmans of India. It further appeals to the Musalmans of Bengal to devise ways and means to oust Mr. Fazalul Huq from Muslim Politics.

This meeting reiterates its unshakable faith in the creed of the All-India Muslim League Pakistan and declares that the Musalmans of India are a nation and that the idea of one composite nation in India is the result of Anglo-Hindu alliance. This meeting further declares that the Muslims of India will not accept a constitution which is based on one-nation theory, and they will fight to the last against any such constitution, temporary or final.

This meeting condemns the activities of Mr. Shayama Prashad Mukerjee in connection with the civil disobedience movement at Bhagalpore and is at a loss to understand how a minister of the crown can take part in civil disobedience movement and how Mr. Fazlul Huq can keep him in his cabinet.

According to the request of the Culcutta District Muslim League special prayers for long-life of Qa'id-e-Azam Jinnah were held after Juma prayer in almost all the mosques of Calcutta and suburbs.

At Indore

A grand meeting of the Muslims of Indore, under the auspices of the State Muslim League, was held here on December 25 last in the evening at Bombay Bazaar to celebrate the 65th auspicius birthday of Qa'id-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League. Mr. Fakhruddin, Advocate, High Court, presided. Among those who were invited and present were people of all races, including members of the Congress and the Mahasabha. No less than 10,000 persons were present.

The lecture of Mr. M. A. Usmani, Secretary of the State League, on the "Life of Mr. M. A. Jinnah and his Ideal Pakistan Scheme" and the presidential address by Mr. Fakhruddin, the President of the State Muslim League, were most interesting and inspiring. A Children's dialogue between Misses Sher Bano and Mumtaz Bano was very much appreciated. "Tarana-i-Iqbal" was melodiously recited by Sangit Ratna Piyare Miyan of Jaora. Mr. A. Raoof's verses and Mr. Mumtaz Husain's speech were also appreciated.

The meeting dispersed late in the night, after passing resolutions praying for long-life of the Qa'id-e-Azam and reiterating full confidence in him; requesting the Maharaja Holkar of Indore to redress the grievances of the State Muslims, particularly of the Muslim Students of Holkar College regarding the *Bande Mataram* controversy, and to establish an Islamiya High School at Indore.

At Arkonam

On Thursday, December 25, a public meeting was held under the auspices of the Primary Muslim League, Arkonam, in the market maidan at 4-30 p.m., to celebrate Qa'id-e-Azam Jinnah's 65th birthday. Mr. M. A. Allah Pitchai presided. The proceedings commenced after refreshments were served to children. Maulana S. K. Sharfuddin Saheb of Vellore spoke in Tamil about the services rendered by our Qa'id-e-Azam to the Muslim Nation. He laid great stress on the necessity of Hindu-Muslim unity which, he pointed out, could only be achieved by accepting our legitimate demand of Pakistan." Maulana Mahmood Quraishi (President, Muslim Youth League, Madras) then delivered a brilliant speech in Urdu and criticised the attitude adopted by the Hindu Mahasabha. Then Mr. C. N. Kuppusawmy of Conjeevaram spoke in Tamil. The meeting came to a close after adopting the following resolutions unanimously:

This public meeting of the Muslims of Arkonam heartily congratulates our Qa'id-e-Azam, Mohammad Ali Jinnah, on his 65th birthday, and prays to Allah, the Almighty, for his long-life and expresses its full confidence in his leadership to achieve our goal Pakistan.

This meeting condemns the action of the Bengal Premier, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq to disrupt the ranks of the Bengal Muslim League, and fully supports the disciplinary action taken by the Qa'id-e-Azam.

This Meeting places its opinion on record that Sir Mohammad Usman, recently elected member of the Defence of India Council, represents in no way the Muslims of this province. The All-India Muslim League is the only representative body of the Muslims, competent to nominate representatives of the Musalmans on any public body.

At Bantua

A public meeting of the Muslims of Bantua to celebrate the birthday of Qa'id-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah and to pray for his long-life and prosperity was held on December 25 at 9 p.m. in Eqbal Chowk Maidan under the presidentship of Mr. B. S. Naujiani. Speeches were delivered eulogizing the Qa'id-e-Azam's leadership of Muslim India and exhorting the Muslims to follow his lead and obey his commands.

At Baroda

A mass meeting was held at Baroda on December 25 to celebrate Jinnah Day under the auspices of the Muslim Students Union. Mr. Gulam Mohammed Salehji Patel, Member, Legislative Assembly, Baroda, occupied the chair. Mr. Rasool Khan, Mr. Patel and many other students spoke on the life and achievements of Qa'id-e-Azam Jinnah. After offering prayer for long and prosperous life of the Qa'id-e-Azam the meeting ended.